GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:49
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2000
PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of Primary health Centres/Swasthya Raksha Kendras in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the criteria fixed for setting up of Primary Health Centres in the villages;

(d) the number of such Centres likely to be set up in each State during the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(e) whether the Union Government have received proposals from States for funds for effective improvement in the condition of secondary level hospitals and Primary Health Centres during the last three years; and

(f) if so, the details of each proposal alongwith the status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a)to(f): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 49 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2000

(a) & (b) There is overall shortage of Primary Health Care Centres in the country. The establishment of Primary Health Care Centres has lagged behind in some States. In the year 2000, the estimated shortage of Sub-Centres is 20,332, of PHCs 3,861 and of CHCs 3,414.

However, it is also true that some States/UTs have no shortages in respect of Primary Health Care Centres.The position regarding shortfall is Annexed.

(c) The Primary Health Care Centres are established by State Governments as per population norms prescribed by the Planning Commission. A Sub-Centre is established for a population of 5000; a PHC for 30,000 and a CHC for about 1.2 Lakh people. The norms are relaxed for tribal, hilly and other backward areas. In these areas a Sub-Centre is established for a population of 3,000, a PHC for 20,000 and CHC for 80,000.

(d) The 9th Plan (1997-2002) goals for establishment of additional Sub-Centre is 7686, for Primary Health Centres is 1521 and the target for Community Health Centres is 2903.

(e)&(f) Yes, Sir. In pursuance of proposals received from the State Governments, the primary health care infrastructure is being strengthened through the following schemes -

Major/minor civil works: - Rs. 49.00 crore have already been released to the States from 1997 to 1999 for Minor Civil Works and Rs. 54.62 crore has been released to the States during 1998-2000 for Major Civil Works.

To ensure improved delivery services, the medical and paramedical staff is appointed on contract basis by State Governments with financial support from Central Government.

Additional honorarium is provided as an incentive to encourage staff to participate in providing 24 hours delivery services at PHCs and CHCs.

Sub-centres are provided with drug kits A & B, PHC and CHCs are provided with emergency obstetric drug kits through Reproductive and Child Health Programme.

Dai Training has been revitalized. During 2000-2001, it is being implemented in 142 districts spread over the 17 states of the country.

Referral transport will assist women from indigent families in 25% Sub-Centres in obstetric emergency.

A Border District Cluster Project has been launched in 47identified districts, aimed at bringing about reductions in the infant mortality rate and maternal mortality rate by 50% over a 4 year period.

ISMPractitioners are being trained for improving awareness and availability of ISM remedies.NGOsare being assisted to raise nurseries of medicinal plants. Appropriate research in Contraceptive technology is being supported.

Under the State Health System Project CHCs andDistrict Hospitals are being upgraded to provide quality health services to the people in rural areas.

Under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana, the Primary Health Care Infrastructure will be strengthened by increased provisioning of drugs, essential consumables, contingencies for travel cost per ANMs, repair of essential equipment and furniture. Additionally, priority will be given for putting in place facilities for potable water supply and adequate toilet facilities in the Sub-centres and PHCs

Area Projects are in progress in 14 states to meet the needs of specified geographic areas for strengthening infrastructure facilities, increased training facilities, and for need based procurement of goods, equipment, drugs & furniture.

ANNEXURE

SUB CENTRES, PHCs AND CHCs REQUIRED AS PER PROJECTED POPULATION 2000 AND IN POSITION AS ON 30.06.1999

Sl. No	States/UTs	Sub Centres			Primary Health Centres			Community Health Centres		
R	P	S	R	P	S	R	P	S		
1	Andhra Pr.	11081	10568	513	1847	1636	211	462	238	224
2	Arunachal Pr.	272	245	27	45	45	0	11	9	2
3	Assam	5030	5280	+	838	619	219	210	105	105
4	Bihar	17933	14799	3134	2989	2209	780	747	148	599
5	Goa	154	172	+	26	17	9	6	5	1
6	Gujarat	6889	7274	+	1148	967	181	287	206	81
7	Haryana	2886	2299	587	481	401	80	120	64	56
8	Himachal Pr.	1249	2069	+	208	312	+	52	55	+
9	J&K	1470	1700	+	245	337	+	61	53	8
10	Karnataka	7135	8143	+	1189	1676	+	297	249	48
11	Kerala	4516	5094	+	753	962	+	188	80	108
12	Madhya Pr.	13977	11947	2030	2329	1690	639	582	342	240
13	Maharashtra	11479	9725	1754	1913	1699	214	478	308	170
14	Manipur	410	420	+	68	69	-	17	16	1
15	Meghalaya	626	377	249	104	85	19	26	13	13
16	Mizoram	105	336	+	17	55	+	4	6	+
17	Nagaland	415	245	170	69	33	36	17	5	12
18	Orissa	6957	5927	1030	1160	1352	+	290	157	133
19	Punjab	3215	2852	363	536	484	52	134	105	29
20	Rajasthan	836	9851	+	1473	1662	+	368	263	105
21	Sikkim	114	147	+	19	24	+	5	2	3
22	Tamil Nadu	7907	8682	+	1318	1436	+	329	72	257
23	Tripura	769	537	232	128	58	70	32	11	21
24	Uttar Pr.	26445	20153	6292	4407	3808	599	1102	310	792
25	West Bengal	11854	8126	3728	1976	1262	714	494	99	395
26	A&N Islands	60	97	+	10	17	+	2	4	+
27	Cliandigarh	14	13	+	2	-	2	1	1	-
28	D&N Haveli	53	36	17	9	6	3	2	1	1
29	Daman & Diu	15	21	+	3	3	-	1	1	-
30	Delhi	248	42	206	41	8	33	10	-	10
31	Laksliadweep	8	14	+	1	4	+	0	3	+
32	Pondiclierry	54	80	+	9	39	+	2	4	+
All India		152176	137271	20332	25361	22975	3861	6337	2935	3414

(Figures are provisional).

- : Nil.
R : Required.
P : In Position.
S : Shortfall.
+ : Surplus Infrastructure.
$: Ignoring the States with Surplus (+) infrastructure.

Note : Required number has been estimated by applying the existing norms for population Coverage on the projected population of 2000 A.D., assuming the % rural tribal population in each State being the same as was in 1991 census.